

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: David Pratt Remsen Examiner: Wong, L.
Serial No.: 10/087,621 Group Art Unit: 2164
Filed: March 1, 2002 Confirmation No: 7946
Attorney Docket No.: 24443-501 UTIL

Title: **MANAGING TAXONOMIC INFORMATION**

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Examiner Wong:

The above-referenced patent application was filed on March 1, 2002. A Final Office Action was mailed on January 22, 2009. Applicants filed a Request for Continued Examination on June 22, 2009. A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") was filed on July 1, 2009. Copies of the filed IDS and filing documents are enclosed herewith as **Exhibit A**. The July 1, 2009 IDS was submitted using Express Mail (Express Mail Label no. EM266572905US). Along with the July 1, 2009 IDS, Applicants submitted a listing of references A1-A6, as follows:

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Exam Initials	Cite No.	U.S. Patent Document No.	Issue Date	Name of Patentee(s) or Applicant(s)	Class	Sub Class	Filing Date
	A1	6,675,159	01/2004	Lin et al.	707	3	
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	A3	2007/0198536	08/2007	Coutts et al.	707	10	
	A4	2004/0103090	5/2004	Dogi et al.	707	3	
	A5	2002/0194154	12/2002	Levy et al.	707	1	
	A6	2002/0120618	08/2002	Ushijima et al.	707	3	

The Examiner and Applicants' undersigned representative conducted an interview on August 18, 2009, during which various claim amendments were discussed and the Examiner was authorized to amend claims via the Examiner's amendment. On August 28, 2009, the Examiner

mailed a Notice of Allowance allowing claims in the present application. However, the Examiner did not include an Examiner-initialed form PTO-1449 from the July 1, 2009 IDS.

Upon review of the PAIR system at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") and a telephone discussion with the Examiner on November 25, 2009, Applicants' undersigned representative discovered that the July 1, 2009 IDS was never entered by the USPTO into the PAIR system.

Applicants respectfully submit that the July 1, 2009 IDS was timely mailed and received by the USPTO on July 6, 2009. Exhibit B is a copy of the stamped Express Mail Label No. EM266572905US, which indicates that the July 1, 2009 IDS was deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on July 1, 2009. Further, Exhibit C is copy of the proof of delivery of the July 1, 2009 IDS to the USPTO. The proof of delivery indicates that on July 6, 2009 at 7:09 AM, Applicants' July 1, 2009 was delivered to the USPTO and the USPTO accepted its delivery, as indicated by the signature of Mary Boston and a stamp "P&T Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313"). The proof of delivery was obtained from the U.S. Postal Service's website (www.usps.com).

As such, Applicants' July 1, 2009 IDS was timely filed and should have been considered by the Examiner prior to issuance of the Notice of Allowance. Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner initial the submitted form PTO-1449 and return it to Applicants' undersigned representative.

Should the Examiner have any questions or need further clarification, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at 212-692-6858. Applicants believe that no fees are due in connection with this submission, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Reference No. **24443-501 UTIL**.

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EXHIBIT A

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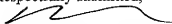
Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-referenced patent application are the following documents:

1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
2. PTO Form 1449 in duplicate (1 pages);
3. Return Postcard

Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this submission, the Director is authorized to charge any deficiencies due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. **50-0311** Ref. No. **24443-501 UTIL** Customer No. **35437**.

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the documents listed on the enclosed Modified Form 1449/PTO (submitted in duplicate) in the above-identified application. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination ("RCE"). Accordingly, no fee or certification is required. 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4).

The cited references are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate). Under 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of the above document is enclosed with the Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants make no representation that: (1) more relevant information does not exist; (2) the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b); and (3) the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

It is respectfully requested that this reference be: (1) fully considered by the Patent Office during prosecution of this application; and (2) printed on the face of any patent which may issue on this application. Applicants request that a copy of Form PTO-1449, as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication to Applicants.

If for any reason the Examiner decides not to allow this application based on this submission, Applicants' undersigned representative respectfully requests a telephonic interview with the Examiner before the issuance of the next Office Action.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested. Please charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Reference No. **24443-501 UTIL**, Customer No. **35437**.

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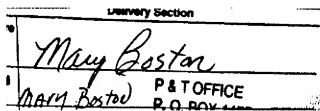
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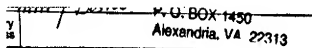
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